CURRENT STATUS OF THE CLAIMS

In the Claims

The following is a marked-up version of the claims with the language that is underlined ("___") being added and the language that contains strikethrough ("——") being deleted:

1-56. (CANCELED)

- (NEWLY ADDED) A polyoxometalate-modified fabric, comprising a fabric and a polyoxometalate incorporated into the fabric, said polyoxometalate having the formula $[X^gV_b^{j+}M_c^{h+}Z_{12-b-c}^{i+}O_x]^{u-}[A]$, wherein X is at least one p-, d-, or f-block element; g is greater than or equal to 2; M is at least one f-block element or d-block element having at least one d-electron, wherein M is not vanadium; h is from 1 to 7; i is from 5 to 6; j is from 4 to 5; x is 39 or 40; Z is tungsten, molybdenum, niobium, or a combination thereof; b is from 0 to 6; u is from 3 to 9; and A is a counterion.
- (NEWLY ADDED) The composition of claim 57, wherein the polyoxometalate has the formula $[X_2^{r+}V_u^{s+}Z_{18-u}^{y+}O_{62}]^{w-}[A]$, wherein X is at least one phosphorus, sulfur, silicon, aluminum, boron, zinc, cobalt, or iron; a is from 1 to 9; and w is greater than or equal to 4.
- 59. (NEWLY ADDED) The composition of claim 57, wherein the polyoxometalate has the formula $[X_2^{r+}M_v^{t+}Z_{18-v}^{y+}O_{62}]^{w-}[A]$, wherein X is at least one phosphorus, sulfur, silicon, aluminum, boron, zinc, cobalt, or iron; v is from 1 to 9; and w is greater than or equal to 4.
- 60. (NEWLY ADDED) An article comprising the polyoxometalate-modified fabric of Claim 57.

- 61. (NEWLY ADDED) The article of Claim 60, wherein the article is garment, drapery, carpet, or upholstery.
- 62. (NEWLY ADDED) The fabric of Claim 57, wherein the fabric is prepared from a fiber comprising polyamide, cotton, polyacryllc, polyacrylonitrile, polyester, polyvinylidine, polyolefin, polyurethane, polytetrafluoroethylene, or carbon cloth, or a combination thereof.